

**DEPARTMENT OF
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April 24, 2001



Ms. Paula Higashi
Executive Director
Commission on State Mandates
1300 I Street, Suite 950
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Ms Higashi:

As requested in your letter of March 21, 2000, the Department of Finance has reviewed the test claim submitted by the Empire Union Unified School District (claimant) asking the Commission to determine whether specified costs incurred under Chapter No. 996, Statutes of 2000, (SB 1632), are reimbursable state mandated costs (Claim No. CSM-00-TC-09 "School Accountability Report Cards II"). Due to workload for preparing the May Revision, we request additional time to prepare our response.

As required by the Commission's regulations, we are including a "Proof of Service" indicating that the parties included on the mailing list which accompanied your March 21, 2000, letter have been provided with copies of this letter via either United States Mail or, in the case of other state agencies, Interagency Mail Service.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Michael Wilkening, Principal Program Budget Analyst at (916) 445-0328 or Jim Lombard, state mandates claims coordinator for the Department of Finance, at (916) 445-8913.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Radtkey-Gaither
Program Budget Manager

Attachment

PROOF OF SERVICE

Test Claim Name: "School Accountability Report Cards II"

Test Claim Number: CSM-00-TC-09

I, the undersigned, declare as follows:

I am employed in the County of Sacramento, State of California, I am 18 years of age or older and not a party to the within entitled cause; my business address is 915 L Street, 7th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814.

On April 24, 2001, I served the attached recommendation of the Department of Finance in said cause, by facsimile to the Commission on State Mandates and by placing a true copy thereof: (1) to claimants and nonstate agencies enclosed in a sealed envelope with postage thereon fully prepaid in the United States Mail at Sacramento, California; and (2) to state agencies in the normal pickup location at 915 L Street, 7th Floor, for Interagency Mail Service, addressed as follows:

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Division of Accounting & Reporting
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Legislative Analyst's Office
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Education Mandated Cost Network
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Attention: Dr. Carol Berg, PhD
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Attention: Keith Petersen
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Department of Education
School Business Services
Attention: Marie Johnson
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Mandated Cost Systems, Inc.

Attention: Steve Smith
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Attention: James Cunningham
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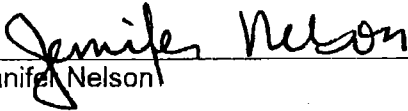
State Board of Education
Attention: Bill Lucia, Executive Director
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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed on April 24, 2001, at Sacramento, California.



Jennifer Nelson